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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment barely steady to weak on frozen whole turkeys. Demand slow with limited trading reported to be received prior to the Christmas holiday. Feature activity remained centered on other meat items. Supplies are mixed and generally available. Parts and meats trading remain seasonally slow due to trucking and delivery concerns.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand and trading slow with only token interest materializing due to the approaching holidays. Inquiry very light for frozen thigh meat, drums and mechanically separated turkey.

### SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	94-109
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	94-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	94-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	94-105
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	94-105

### LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	77-94
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	83-100
BREASTS 10-12#	146-158
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	
<u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	100-103
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	103-104
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	83-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	77-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	77-82

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	<u>OFFERS</u>	<u>SALES</u>	<u>WTD AVG</u>	<u>VOLUME (000)</u>
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-77	73	73.00	40
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67-75	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-76	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	64-67	64	64.00	40
CENTRAL REGION	62-67	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	64-67	-	-	-

### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

<u>WTD AVG</u>	<u>VOLUME (000)</u>	<u>DEL. PER</u>
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

<u>VOLUME (000)</u>	<u>DEL. PER</u>
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 20 DECEMBER 1999.

Trade sentiment generally starting to become more cautious as the upcoming holidays start affecting demand and availability of product. Demand seasonally slowing, however, some interest is still noted on selected meat items for plant start up early next week due to most processors being down Friday and some taking additional days off this week. Offerings uneven, varying by item and when needed. Some people note a tightness of trucks that is also affecting the ability of product to be delivered on a timely basis. Trading light.

#### DOMESTIC TRADING

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		F	131.67	180
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	102.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		R	29.44	54
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	30.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	27.00		27.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		R	30.45	111
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	25.00		25.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM		R	18.21	106
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	151.00-155.00		153.00	250
THIGH MEAT		R	75.00	23
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	71.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		T	107.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT		F	64.00	80
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	130.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		R	139.00	14
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		R	51.46	74
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	18.50-19.00		18.83	230

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	32.00	80
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	29.50		29.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	22.00	312
TAILS		F	14.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	22.00	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		R	74.09	440

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.